

amendment; and that H.R. 6072, making appropriations for the Department of Transportation, and Housing and Urban Development, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2019, as reported by the House Appropriations Committee, serve as the basis for defense of germaneness for Division D of the Amendment. **Page S5122**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill at approximately 10 a.m., on Tuesday, July 24, 2018.

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Message from the President: Senate received the following message from the President of the United States:

Transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the continuation of the national emergency with respect to significant transnational criminal organizations that was established in Executive Order 13581 on July 24, 2011 received during adjournment of the Senate on July 20, 2018; which was referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. (PM—46) **Page S5129**

Nomination Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nomination:

By 86 yeas to 9 nays (Vote No. EX. 163), Robert L. Wilkie, of North Carolina, to be Secretary of Veterans Affairs. **Pages S5118–22**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Christopher P. Vincze, of Massachusetts, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Overseas Private Investment Corporation for a term expiring December 17, 2019.

Earl Robert Miller, of Michigan, to be Ambassador to the People's Republic of Bangladesh.

Kathe Hicks Albrecht, of California, to be a Member of the National Council on the Humanities for a term expiring January 26, 2024.

Keegan F. Callanan, of Vermont, to be a Member of the National Council on the Humanities for a term expiring January 26, 2024.

David Armand DeKeyser, of Alabama, to be a Member of the National Council on the Humanities for a term expiring January 26, 2020.

Kim R. Holmes, of Virginia, to be a Member of the National Council on the Humanities for a term expiring January 26, 2022.

Phyllis Kaminsky, of Arizona, to be a Member of the National Council on the Humanities for a term expiring January 26, 2020.

Jean M. Yarbrough, of Maine, to be a Member of the National Council on the Humanities for a term expiring January 26, 2022.

Steven Dillingham, of Virginia, to be Director of the Census for a term expiring December 31, 2021.

2 Air Force nominations in the rank of general.

1 Army nomination in the rank of general.

Routine lists in the Air Force and Army.

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Nomination Withdrawn: Senate received notification of withdrawal of the following nomination:

Christopher R. Sharpley, of Virginia, to be Inspector General, Central Intelligence Agency, which was sent to the Senate on September 5, 2017. **Page S5226**

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Record Votes: One record vote was taken today. (Total—163) **Page S5122**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 3 p.m. and adjourned at 6:53 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Tuesday, July 24, 2018. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S5225.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

No committee meetings were held.